



CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY Directorate of Intelligence Office of East Asian Analysis

The principal task of professionals employed by CIA's Office of East Asian Analysis is to prepare finished intelligence on a broad range of military, political and economic subjects. Important consumers for this Office's work are the President and policy-level officials in the executive staffs of the White House and the Departments of State, Treasury, Defense, Commerce, Agriculture and Energy. Research support for these officials is designed to provide timely and objective appraisals of foreign developments important to the United States. Papers vary in scope, from interpretive reporting on current events to comprehensive studies or issues, such as the economic and political linkages among major countries.

In most cases, the senior members of the Office have had experience in a wide variety of geographical and functional areas of research. Supervisors are selected competitively. A person who lacks the skill or inclination for management has the opportunity to rise to a senior analytical position on the basis of superior individual performance.

Essentially, Agency professionals use the same skills as those employed in the academic community. Compared with the academic researcher, however, he or she is faced with stricter deadlines, a hierarchial system of review, and the necessity to preserve the confidentiality of information and sources. These constraints are offset by close association with the process of formulating US policy.

Although MAs and PhDs are actively sought, applicants with BA degrees will be considered. Area familiarity and language ability are beneficial but keen analytic sense is crucial. Salaries range from GS-07 through GS-14, depending on qualifications. Most positions are based in McLean, Virginia, a suburb of Washington, D.C. Fringe benefits—insurance, retirement, leave—are generous. U.S. citizenship is required.

Interested persons should send a resume, transcripts and writing samples to Personnel Officer, Office of East Asian Analysis, Washington, D.C. 20505.

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